

DINA CORSI - Fwd: Re: FFI request

From: DINA CORSI
To: LIGUORI, JOHN
Date: Wed, Aug 29, 2001 7:39 AM
Subject: Fwd: Re: FFI request

John,

I think I may have caused some unnecessary confusion with this issue. I sent the EC on Al-Midhar to Craig via email marking it as a DRAFT so that he could read it before he went on vacation. There is material in the EC from [REDACTED] which had not yet been approved and which is not cleared for criminal investigators. I should have been more specific in the email. My fault.

Steve called and Rod and I spoke with him and tried to explain why this case had to stay on the intel side of the house. I had a very brief follow-up conversation with Jack about the case as well. In order to be confident that we were providing the proper recommendation for this case to be a 199, and to answer some questions that Steve had, Rod and I spoke with the National Security Law Unit (NSLU) yesterday afternoon. I will pass the information on to Steve and Jack as well. The opinion is as follows:

Al-Midhar can be opened directly as a FFI. I have finalized the EC with the [REDACTED] info. properly marked and I will forward it to Rob Fuller as soon as it is signed out. The EC is still not cleared for criminal investigators.

Per NSLU, if Al-Midhar is located the interview must be conducted by an intel agent. A criminal agent CAN NOT be present at the interview. This case, in its entirety, is based on intel. If at such time as information is developed indicating the existence of a substantial federal crime, that information will be passed over the wall according to the proper procedures and turned over for follow-up criminal investigation.

I have the I-94 forms and have requested the visa applications which I will forward to Rob when I get them. Once the case is opened, Rob is free to initiate all possible and appropriate efforts to locate the individual and make any arrangements necessary to receive notification should he attempt to leave the country.

Rob can call me with any questions about the origins of the case or for additional information. Again, I apologize for any confusion.

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CC:

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